King County DNRP Water Quality Index

STATION

VA65A

WATER YEAR

2018

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VA65 Gorsuch Creek, Vashon Island

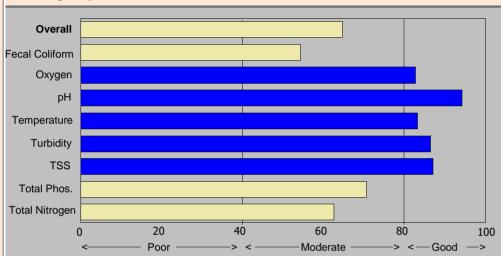
Overall Index

65

Station VA65A is located on Gorsuch Creek just upstream of the mouth on private property at the end of SW Gorsuch Road on the north east end of Vashon Island. The creek was sampled from 2006 through 2008, and then monitoring resumed in 2013. All of Vashon-Maury Island is designated as rural and as such is outside the urban growth boundary.

Annual Water Quality Index Scores

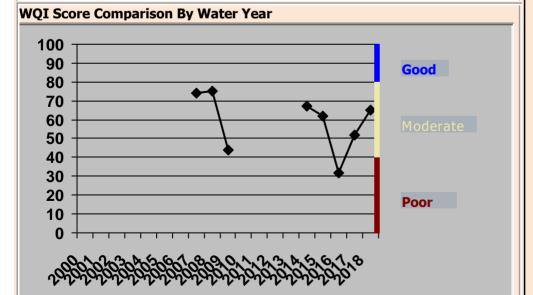
Water quality was MODERATE based on data collected 10/1/2017 to 9/30/2018.





Monthly Scores For Water Year 2018

Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep 90 56 97 95 95 91 82 80 89 71 67 87



For more information about this creek please visit our website at http://green.kingcounty.gov/WLR/Waterres/StreamsData/streamlist.aspx

About The Water Quality Index:

The Water Quality Index (WQI) score is a unit-less number ranging from 10 to 100: the higher the number, the higher the water quality. Scores are calculated from data collected during the monthly routine sampling. For temperature, pH, fecal coliform bacteria, turbidity, and dissolved oxygen, the index expresses results relative to levels required to maintain beneficial uses according to criteria in Washington's Water Quality Standards, WAC 173-201A. For nutrient and sediment measures where there are no standard, results are expressed relative to guidelines for this eco-region. Results from the eight parameters are aggregated over time to produce a single score for each sample station. In general, stations scoring 80 and above did not fail water quality standards or guidelines and are of "low concern", scores 40 to 80 indicate "moderate concern", and water quality at stations with scores below 40 are of "high concern". For more information about the WQI please visit https://green2.kingcounty.gov/streamsdata/ WQI.aspx